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Mr. Nicholas A. Di Pasquale Director, Waste Management Program Missouri Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Mr. Di Pasquale:

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Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Alan K. Hancock, of my staff, at (913) 236-2891.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Morby Chief, RCRA Branch

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Joe Haake, McDonnell Douglas

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2/3 Hazardous Waste

12 January 1989

Mr. Kenneth Joe Davis, Chief Data Management Unit Waste Management Program Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Mr. Davis:

Waste jet fuel is generated at McDonnell Aircraft Company-St. Louis from aircraft fueling and defueling operations. Military specifications for purity of fuel are very stringent, so that minor contamination can cause the material to be scrapped.

Currently, the jet fuel is managed as a hazardous waste and sold to a hazardous waste fuels blender. We are planning to sell the jet fuel as a raw material feedstock to a refining company. The refining company will introduce the jet fuel into a crude oil pipe line. When the crude oil and jet fuel mixture enters the refinery, it will be processed into on-specification jet fuel.

Since the jet fuel will be recycled by being used as an ingredient in an industrial process to make jet fuel, without being reclaimed, it will not be a solid waste in accordance with 40 CFR 261.2. Therefore, we will no longer manage the material as hazardous waste.

Please advise if our interpretation of the regulations and proposed management of the jet fuel is incorrect.

Sincerely,

Joe Haake

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